Apart from legislative changes in the relevant Acts, instructions/guidelines have been issued to the State Governments/Union Territory Administration to effectively enforce legislation relating to crimes against women and monitor the enforcement and to give more focused attention to improving the administration of criminal justice system and to take such measures as are necessary for the prevention of crime against women and other vulnerable sections of society. The measures suggested include:

* sensitizing of police officials charged with the responsibility of protecting the women
* vigorously enforce the existing legislation relating to dowry violence
* set up women police cells in police stations and exclusive women police stations
* provide institutional support to the victims of violence
* provide counseling to victims of rape
* take measures to eliminate trafficking in women. States have also been advised to constitute State Advisory Committees to advise to trafficking matters
* ensure wider recruitment of women police officers
* train police personnel in special laws dealing with atrocities against women
* setting up of Fast Track Courts
* setting up of Family Courts
* appointment of Dowry Prohibition Officers and notification of Rules under the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961.

Revamping ICDS

1465. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has decided to revamp the ICDS with an estimated cost of Rs. 52,000 crore;

(b) if so, the drawbacks found by the Ministry in the existing ICDS and what innovative methods are proposed to be adopted in the proposed new ICDS; and

(c) the details of cash incentives proposed under ICDS to lactating and pregnant mothers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) It is proposed to revise the framework of Implementation of the Integrated Child Development Services (ICDS) Scheme, the details of which are being worked our.

(c) There is no such proposal under the ICDS Scheme.

Status of women

†1466. SHRI BRIJ BHUSHAN TIWARI:
SHRI BHAGWATI SINGH:

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.